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- From 15 June to 7 July 1953, about 80 reservists of the 1922 through 1925 classes participated in a training course which was held in the barracks installation in Mesto Tepla (N 50/P 66). They were trained apart from other regular units which were quartered in the same installation. The reservists were quartered in two isolated buildings. On 7 July 1953, the date of discharge, other reservists were immediately subjected to the same training process. The reservists were organized into three units which were designated companies and were commanded by NCOs. The two other units were a signal company and a motor transport company. The men of the infantry company were trained with German-made rifles, one light machine gun, and three recoilless rifles. A record practice with rifles and submachine guns was held in the last week of training. The submachine guns used for this practice were provided by the armory. All reservists once practiced hand-grenade-throwing, with stones substituted for grenades. No exercises were held jointly with other units. According to soldiers of the signal company, training at this unit included mainly theoretical instruction. Toward the end of the training course, the reservists of the motor-transport company were observed with trucks at driver training class.¹
- In the summer of 1953, about 600 soldiers of an infantry unit who wore red epaulets with undetermined piping were quartered in the same installation. The troops in Mesto Tepla were commanded by a captain who told the reservists he was the deputy to the regimental commander. Other component units of the infantry regiment were allegedly stationed at Marianske Lazne/Hamrniky (N 50/P 56). Regimental commander was Lieutenant Colonel or Colonel Jerabek (fnu), who frequently came to Mesto Tepla in a Tudor sedan. Three small guns of about 40 - 50 cm, which were towed by Ford trucks, and an undetermined number of mortars were observed with the troops in Mesto Tepla. An AA machine gun was also seen there once. Motor vehicles observed included about 20 trucks, most of which were Tatra trucks, and an undetermined number of sedans.²

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